# **Data Steering Committee**

# **CERS Update**

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#### **Topics**

- Implementation Status
- Data Seeding
- Locally Collected Information
- Policy vs Architecture
- Training
- Miscellaneous

#### Implementation Status: Grants

- > All grants to CUPAs and PAs approved
- All grants processed except
  - Oakland
  - Victorville
- > Funds disbursement on track
- Quarterly Status Reports
  - ≥69 received for this period (60%)
    - > 27 CUPAs & 19 PAs are overdue

#### Implementation Status: CUPA/PA Transitions

- > Transition to Electronic Reporting Completed:
  - Bakersfield Fire (1,200 facilities)
  - Inyo County (160 facilities)
  - Petaluma Fire (for business reporting) (250 facilities)
  - Torrance Fire PA (500 facilities)
- > 43 CUPAs & PAs now accept electronically

#### Implementation Status: CUPA/PA Transitions

- Transition to Electronic Reporting Delayed (7 CUPAs and 6 PAs):
  - 13 based on a Status Report (any date)
    - 6 based on their <u>current</u> status report:
      - Orange County Health (July 2013)
      - Pasadena (June 2013)
      - San Bernardino (June 2013)
      - Santa Fe Springs (June 2013)
      - Santa Cruz (March 2013)
      - Sunnyvale (March 2013)

## What if the CUPA/PA isn't ready by 1/1/13?

- ➤ Cal/EPA will work with agencies on a case by case basis to extend their transition period
- ➤ Businesses are expected to begin electronic reporting regardless of UPA status
- ➤ UPAs will need procedures to address business submittals in the interim

#### Implementation Status: Businesses

- Businesses Reporting Stats
  - Top five counties by business facility submittals in 2012 to date:

<ul> <li>Statewide total</li> </ul>	<u> 2864</u>
<ul> <li>Alameda</li> </ul>	122
<ul><li>Kern</li></ul>	574
<ul> <li>Los Angeles</li> </ul>	370
<ul> <li>Santa Clara</li> </ul>	522
<ul> <li>Sonoma</li> </ul>	587

#### Implementation Status: Businesses

- >46,600+ Business Organizations
  - 4 with over1,000 facilities
  - 25 with over100 facilities
  - 75 with over 25 facilities
  - 130 with over 10 facilities
- > 56,300+ Facility Files in CERS

#### Implementation Status: EDT Contracts

- Decade (49 client agencies)
  - >EDT Contract work started in June
- Accela (4 client agencies)
  - >EDT Contract approved, work to start in September
- Garrison (10 client agencies)
  - Final EDT Scope of Work submitted August 20
    - ➤ Work could begin in October

#### Implementation Status: EDT for CUPAs

- Phase 1-Late August: One way data exchange
  - Business data to UPA system
- Phase 2-Dec: Two way data exchange
  - Local web portals
  - UPA changes to business data (as 'accepted' submittals)
- > 20 CUPAs will not use EDT

#### Implementation Status: Data Seeding

- Completed
  - >Fremont Fire
  - ➤ Napa County
  - Los Angeles County Fire (Partial)
  - > 15 CUPAs will not seed (6,700 facilities)
- > In process
  - ➤ San Francisco (2,300 facilities)
  - ➤ Stanislaus (3,500 facilities)

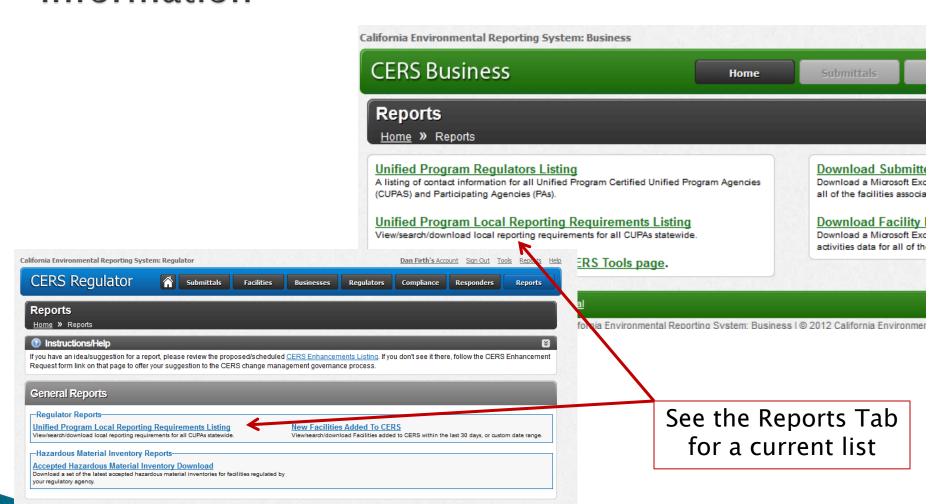
#### Implementation Status: Data Seeding

- Agencies that do not plan to seed business data:
  - Alpine County Env Health
  - Lassen County Env Health
  - Livermore–Pleasanton City Fire
  - Mendocino County Env Health
  - Modoc County Env Health
  - Plumas County Env Health
  - San Leandro City Fire
  - Santa Clara City Fire Dept
  - Santa Monica City Env Programs
  - Santa Rosa City Fire Dept
  - Sierra County Env Health
  - Sonoma County Emergency Services
  - Yuba County Env Health

#### Implementation Status: Local Portals

- 20 CUPAs have or plan to have a local portal (phase 2 EDT available ~Dec 2012)
- > ~60,000 (40%) of regulated facilities will be able to report via a local portal
- Business retains the right to decide to use a local portal or CERS

# Implementation Status: Locally Collected Information



## Implementation Status: Typical Cycle

- Anticipated cycle for changes to Data Dictionary/ CERS Data Standards:
  - Identify proposed changes by December, year X
  - ~18 months for regulatory and technical implementation efforts
  - Release new version of CERS in April/May, year X+2

#### Implementation Status: CERS 3.0 Version

- Current Cycle for CERS 3.0 changes in 2014
  - No current effort/ability to identify and approve potential changes by December 2012 and given current staff/workload of Cal/EPA TSU = No changes in 2014

#### Implementation Status: CERS 3.0 Version

- CERS 3.0 Cycle for changes in 2015
  - UP community identify and fully complete/approve plans for CERS 3.0 changes by December 2013
  - ~18 months of regulatory and technical implementation efforts
  - Release CERS 3.0 around April/May 2015

### Changes to CERS: Policy vs Data Architecture

 Policy related issues/enhancements must go to the Unified Program Manager for evaluation. They cannot be prioritized, ranked or resolved by the User Groups or the Change Management Committee (CMC)

#### Examples:

- Setting reporting units for certain materials (propane)
- Standardizing a CERS chemical record for similar products or mixtures (photographic developers and fixers)
- Consistency of locally collected information
- Changing an uploadable pdf to a data entry screen

#### Use of CERS: Policy vs Data Architecture

 <u>Data Architecture</u> issues/enhancements unrelated to policy can be prioritized by the user groups, ranked for development by the CMC and resolved by Cal/EPA CERS IT staff

- Examples:
  - Expand number and type of reports CERS can generate
  - Improve data uploading capabilities
  - Increase number and type of notification messages
  - Improve manual data entry processes

#### **CERS Misc Notes-Training**

- Train the trainer classes
  - 10 classes delivered around the state
  - 77% of CUPAs attended, 27% of PAs
  - 230 total attendees
    - 71% provided course evaluations:
      - 65% used CERS 0–5 times
      - 21% used CERS 6–20 times
      - 15% used CERS > 20 times
      - 91% felt training was worthwhile, 9% somewhat
  - Most common comment was to offer hands-on training and/or live demo

#### **CERS Misc Notes-Training**

- Training Section of CERS Central Website
  - Getting Access video
  - Business and Regulator Training PowerPoints
  - Six training clips drafted to be posted and embedded in CERS:
    - Find existing facility
    - Request access to existing facility
    - Add new facility
    - Change facility name or address
    - Add existing user
    - Invite new user
  - Additional training clip topics identified for subsequent development

#### **CERS Misc Notes-Submittals**

- After 1/1/13, submittals are due electronically at next regular submittal date (as set by UPA)
  - CUPAs and PAs: Consider widening range of submittal dates now and for 2013
- There is a 'next due date' that can be set by UPA for an automated notice to business
- Submittal elements applicability can be set by UPA

#### CERS Misc Notes-Submittals (cont'd)

- CUPAs (not PAs) are responsible for handling the Facility Information submittal element:
  - Business Activities
  - Owner/Operator Information
- UST data to be submitted by 1/1/14 per Cal/EPA announcement

#### **CERS Misc Notes-Documents**

- Uploading documents:
  - Only those specified
    - (no letters, photos, MSDS, etc)
  - Alternatives to Uploading:
    - Public Internet URL
    - Provided in other Submittal Element
    - Provided to Regulator
    - Stored at Facility
    - Exempt

#### **CERS Misc Notes: Hard Copies/Printing**

- Limited reports currently available
- Screenshots
- Download Excel tables
- Identify new reports that you need and add to enhancement table
  - Remember that CERS is a reporting system, not a data management system. Local business and/or CUPA systems may be better able to generate varieties of reports

#### **Questions?**

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